HOUSE No. 1623

By Mr. O'Brien of Kingston, petition of Thomas J. O'Brien relative to the submission of county budgets to the General Court. Municipalities and Regional Government.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUBMISSION OF COUNTY BUDGETS WITH THE COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary,
- 2 starting July 1, 2005, all county budgets shall be submitted to the
- 3 Massachusetts House of Representatives Committee on Local
- 4 Affairs, Counties, and Regional Government for approval.
- 5 Any and all cost of living requirements for non-union shall be
- 6 included in such budgets. The House of Representatives shall
- 7 determine the rules by which said budget shall be approved.
- 8 Chapter 64D, section 12 of the General Laws is repealed.